GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH A B S T R A C T

Public Services - Irrigation & CAD Department — Sri T.Venkata Ratnam, SE (now CE Retd.) - Certain irregularities committed in the work of removal of deposited earth from the bed Y.L.M.C. (0.50 m above the bed level) from KM.95.00 to 110.600 — Disciplinary proceedings finalised—Awarded a penalty of stoppage of 50% cut in pension permanently — Orders-Issued.

IRRIGATION & CAD (SER.X2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 18 Dt: 16.02.2009

Read the following:

(1)Sri A.V.Sitarama Raju, Consultant, Godavari Delta Works, Dowlaiswaram letter dated:12, dated:2.6.99

- (2) G.O.Rt.No.540, I&CAD (CAD.Ser.II.2) Deptt., dt:13.5.03
- (3) G.O.Rt.No.541, I&CAD (CAD.Ser.II.2) Deptt., dt:13.5.03
- (4) From Sri T.Venkataratnam, SE (now C.E. Retd) explanation Dated: 3.6.03
- (5) G.O.Rt.No.142, I&CAD (Ser.X-2) Dept., Dt.22-01-2005.
- (6) From Dr.A.Madhusudhan Reddy, IAS (retd)COI Lr.No.79/COI.AMR/2005, Dt.22.7.2006.
- (7) Memo.No.10279/Services.X-2/03-16, Dated:24.01.2007.
- (8) Explanation of Sri T. Venkataratnam, SE (now C.E. Retd) dated :nil
- (9)Memo.No.10279/Services.X-2/03-18, Dated:26.07.2007.
- (10)Explanation of Sri T.Venkataratnam, SE (now C.E. Retd) dated:nil.
- (11) Govt. letter No. 10279/Ser.X.2/2003-30, dt. 24.12.2008
- (12) From the Secretary, APPSC, Lr.No.59/RT-1/1/2009, dt. 23.1.2009.

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, Sri A.V.Sitarama Raju, Consultant, Godavari Delta Works, Dowlaiswaram in his inspection report has reported that Sri T.Venkataratnam, S.E. (Retd) along with other engineers have committed certain irregularities in execution of the work of "Removal of deposited earth from the bed of Y.L.M.C. (0.50 m above the bed level) from KM.95.00 to 110.600.

2. In the reference 2nd and 3rd read above, after examining his inspection report, the following Articles of charges have been framed against Sri T. Venkataratnam, Superintending Engineer (now Chief Engineer, Retired):-

Charge-I:-

Though you are in-charge of the work costing more than Rs.10.00 lakhs you have not taken pre levels as per G.O.389, Irrigation and CAD (PW-COD) Department, dt.30-8-90 and para 294 of APPW 'D' Code, para 297 of APPW 'A' Code.

Charge-II:-

You have not commented / taken any action on the deviations pointed out by the Consultant, neither inspected the site nor submitted a compliance report to the consultant though you have recorded the work done levels on 29-5-99 at Km.99.650 in L.F.323 v (which is a section in the un-tackled reach as per consultant).

3. In the reference 4th read above , Sri T.Venkataratnam, S.E. (now C.E Retired) has submitted his written statement of defence.

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- 4. In the reference 5th read above, after examining the written statement of defence of the Accused Officer, it has been decided to entrust the case to COI, and orders were issued appointing Sri Dr. A. Madhusudhan Reddy, IAS (Retd) Commissioner of Inquiries, General Administration Department as Inquiring Authority to conduct departmental inquiry on the charges framed against the Charged Officer along with others. The enquiry officer has submitted his report vide reference 6th read above.
- 5. In the reference 7th read above, the Inquiry Report has been communicated to the Charged Officer Sri T.Venkataratnam, S.E. (now C.E Retired) with a direction to submit his explanation if any. Sri T.Venkataratnam, S.E. (now C.E Retired) has submitted his explanation.
- 6. After examining the explanation of the Charged Officer, it has been decided to impose a penalty of 50% cut in pension permanently against him, under Rule 9 of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly a Show Cause Notice has been issued to the Charged Officer indicating the proposed penalty of 50% cut in pension permanently, with a direction to submit his explanation, if any, on the proposed punishment. In the reference 10th cited he has submitted his explanation.
- 7. After careful examination of the explanation of Sri T. Venkataratnam, Superintending Engineer (now Chief Engineer, Retired), Govt. have confirm the proposed penalty of 50% cut in pension for permanently against Sri T. Venkataratnam, Superintending Engineer (now Chief Engineer, Retired). Accordingly Government hereby order to impose the penalty of 50% cut in pension permanently against Sri T. Venkataratnam, Superintending Engineer (now Chief Engineer, Retired), for the irregularities committed in execution of the work of "Removal of deposited earth from the bed of Y.L.M.C. (0.50 m above the bed level) from KM.95.00 to 110.600. A copy of the letter 12th read above is enclosed wherein the concurrence of A.P. Public Service Commission has been obtained.
- 8. The Engineer-In-Chief (Administration Wing) shall take action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.P.TUCKER PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri T. Venkata Ratnam, Superintending Engineer
and Chief Engineer (Retd.) **through**Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad.
The Engineer-in-Chief (AW),
Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad.
The Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad
The APPSC. Hyderabad
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED : : BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER